

# General Environmental Incident Summary

**Incident:** 4016      **Date/Time Notice:** 2/6/2016      1945      **DEM Incident No:**

**Responsible Party:** Boots Smith

**Date Incident:** 2/5/2016      **Time Incident:** 1030      **Duration:**

**County:** Williams      **Twp:** 154      **Rng:** 95      **Sec:** 22      **Qtr:**

**Lat:** 48.15235      **Long:** -102.89280      **Method:** Interpolation from map

**Location Description:** Pipeline Right of Way - Hawkeye Pipeline Project

**Submitted By:** Alex Beach

**Affiliation:**

**Address:** 3015 16TH ST SW STE 20

**City:** Minot

**State:** ND

**Zip:** 58701

**Received By:**

**Contact Person:** Dwight Brasseaux  
2501 Airport Drive  
Laurel, MS 39441

**Distance Nearest Occupied Building:** 1 Miles

**Release Contained:** Yes

**Type of Incident:** Horizontal Boring Release

**Description of Released Contaminant:** Bentonite and water

**Volume Spilled:** 1.33 barrels

**Ag Related:** No

**EPA Extremely Hazardous Substance:** No

**Reported to NRC:** Unknown

**Cause of Incident:**

Hawkeye Pipeline Project - Approximately 1.33 bbl of Bentonite and water was released to the pipeline right of way (ROW). A boring rig was set up to push the bore through on the ROW. One of the workers on watch during the bore noticed that some of the boring fluid has pushed through a fracture to the surface. All boring spills/fractures were contained to the center of the ROW and never left the ROW. The USACE was notified due to the location of the ROW going through their area.

**Risk Evaluation:**

There are no immediate risks to report at this time as a result of this incident.

**# of Fatalities:** 0

**# of Injuries:** 0

**Affected Medium:** 03 - soil

**Potential Environmental Impacts:**

There are no environmental risks to report at this time. The released fluid was Bentonite clay and water.

**Action Taken or Planned:**

The boring mud was placed in buckets by shovels and rakes and then placed back in the bore pit to be reused.

**Wastes Disposal Location:** None of the boring mud will be disposed of.

**Agencies Involved:** USACE

## **Updates**

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**Date:** 2/6/2016     **Status:** Reviewed - Follow-up Required

**Author:** O'Gorman, Brian

**Updated Volume:**

**Notes:**

According to the report, 1.33 barrels of bentonite and water were released on pipeline right-of-way. More followup needed.

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**Date:** 2/24/2016     **Status:** Inspection

**Author:** Martin, Russell

**Updated Volume:**

**Notes:**

2/24/2016 at 11:52, on location. Met with site personnel to discuss incident, as well as related incident EIR #4019. According to personnel, boring occurred underneath drainage when bentonite and water came up to the drainage surface. Straw and earth berms used to contain spill while material could be recovered for reuse. Drainage is muddy due to recent meltwater, but no large migration of mud down drainage is visible. No further follow-up required.